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For: PRIORITIZING AND VISUALLY DISTINGUISHING SETS OF HYPERLINKS IN HYPERTEXT WORLD WIDE WEB DOCUMENTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH WEIGHTS UPON ATTRIBUTES OF WEB DOCUMENTS LINKED TO SUCH HYPERLINKS

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- X Patent Specification and Declaration
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- X An assignment of the invention to International Business Machines Corporation (includes Recordation Form Cover Sheet).
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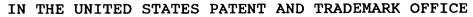
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STATEMENT IN LIEU OF INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

Applicants submit that other than the background art discussed generally in the specification of this application, they are aware of no further art. Thus, this is being submitted in lieu of a statement under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.97(b).

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